

## CLAIMS

I claim:

1. A method of creating a program management chart comprising the steps of:

displaying a plurality of tasks within a selected set of data as a first part of the program management chart; and

displaying a task that is outside of the selected set of data but that is associated with at least one of the plurality of tasks within the selected set of data as a second part of the program management chart.

2. The method of claim 1 further comprising the step of differentiating between the plurality of tasks within the selected set of data and the task that is outside of the selected set of data.

3. The method of claim 1 wherein the task that is outside of the selected set of data is outside of a project that contains the selected set of data.

4. A method of creating a program management chart comprising the steps of:

displaying a work breakdown structure tree associated with a project without accessing project data;

selecting a subfolder within the work breakdown structure tree; and

accessing task data associated with the selected subfolder within the work breakdown structure tree without accessing all of the project data.

5. The method of claim 4 further comprising the step of displaying the program management chart associated with the subfolder within the work breakdown structure tree.

6. A method of creating a program management chart comprising the steps of:

selecting one of a plurality of tasks within a program management chart;

determining which of the plurality of tasks within the program management chart are predecessor tasks of the selected one of the plurality of tasks;

determining which of the plurality of tasks within the program management chart are successor tasks of the selected one of the plurality of tasks; and

displaying the program management chart with only the selected one of the plurality of tasks and the predecessor tasks or the successor tasks of the selected one of the plurality of tasks.

7. The method of claim 6 further comprising displaying only the predecessor tasks and the selected one of the plurality of tasks.

8. The method of claim 6 further comprising displaying only the successor tasks and the selected one of the plurality of tasks.

9. A method of creating a program management chart comprising the steps of:

selecting a task within a project, the task including a display data associated with the task;

accessing a database comprising task data associated with the selected task, the task data including the display data and non-display data; and

displaying the task data associated with the selected task.

10. The method of claim 9 wherein the task data is displayed in a separate window from the task within the project.

11. A method of creating a program management chart comprising the steps of:

displaying a plurality of tasks forming the program management chart;

displaying an interface for filtering the plurality of tasks;

selecting a parameter value using the interface for filtering the plurality of tasks;

displaying the program management chart with only those tasks having the parameter value.

12. A method of creating a program management chart comprising the steps of:

accessing a subset of data within a project;

displaying a plurality of tasks associated with the subset of data; and

displaying a task that is outside of the subset of data.

13. The method of claim 12 wherein the task that is outside of the subset of data is a task within the project.

14. The method of claim 12 wherein the task that is outside of the subset of data is a task outside of the project.

15. The method of claim 12 further comprising the step of accessing a header relating to the task that is outside of the subset of data.